

What Would Happen If We Stopped Vaccinations?

These diseases still exist and can become common again
- and deadly- if vaccination coverage does not continue
at high levels.

Mumps

Before the mumps vaccine was introduced, mumps was a major cause of deafness in children, occurring in approximately 1 in 20,000 reported cases. Mumps is usually a mild viral disease. However, rare conditions such as swelling of the brain, nerves and spinal cord can lead to serious side effects such as paralysis, seizures, and fluid in the brain.

Serious side effects of mumps are more common among adults than children. Swelling of the testes is the most common side effect in males past the age of puberty, occurring in up to 20 percent to 50 percent of men who contract mumps. **An increase in miscarriages has been found among women who develop mumps during the first trimester of pregnancy.**

Mumps is easily spread among unvaccinated persons.

Protect Someone You Love – Immunize!

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